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Riverport receives DRA funds to dredge at the port's dock

The Hickman-Fulton County Riverport Authority (HFCRA) announced last week that it has received approximately $50,000 in funding from the Delta Regional Authority (DRA) to complete dredging at the HFCRA dock. On Monday, Aug. 13, Mike G. Marshall, Alternate Federal Co-Chairman of the DRA informed the Riverport that the grant application for the HFCRA had been approved.

In 2000, Congress established the DRA to enhance economic development and improve the quality of life for the hard-working residents of the Delta region. The DRA was established to improve the lives of the 10 million people who live in 252 counties and parishes in parts of eight states. Targeted investments in each of the eight states has created over 6,000 jobs and retained nearly the same number of jobs.

The extreme low water levels on the Mississippi River, lack of annual maintenance dredging and heavy silting from record flooding in 2011 closed the Elvis J. Stahr harbor in late May. The Army Corps of Engineers has been dredging the main channel of the Elvis Stahr harbor since August 3.

The additional funding from the DRA will remove approximately 15,000 cubic yards of silt and accumulated sediment from an area approximately 30 feet wide by 300 feet long from the Riverport dock. The grant was rushed through the application process after the Army Corps of Engineers dredging efforts revealed the need for the additional dredging along the Riverport docks.

The Purchase Area Development District in Mayfield, Ky., and the Riverport jumped into action to complete the application and get it in to the DRA in one day so it could be approved in 24 hours. The quick action by the DRA allowed for silt and sediment removal while the dredge was still located in the Elvis Stahr harbor, before it moves down the river to start dredging at other ports on the Mississippi River.

As of Thursday, Aug. 16, the Riverport was somewhat operational after all the dredging was performed. "We can't get

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GOOD NEWS - Mike Marshall, Alternate Federal Co-Chairman of the Delta Regional Authority (shown at left) brought good news to Hickman-Fulton County Riverport Authority (HFCRA) Director Greg Culin last week when the Port received $50,000 to complete dredging at the HFCRA dock. **DREDGING** - The Weeks Venture was located near the HFCRA last week to complete dredging of the Elvis J. Stahr Harbor. (Photos submtted.)

Drought 2012 could start impacting food prices, county yields low

Some Fulton County farmers have been busy shelling corn over the last week or two. Others started this week. Typically farmers in this area would normally begin harvesting corn when they reach 18% moisture or less. "With the drought affecting the yield of this year's crops they are now looking for 15.5% or less moisture to avoid taking an additional hit at the grain elevator," stated UK Extension Agent Cam Kenimer. "The return isn't going to be good. We are predicting about 70-75 bushels per acre." This is half of the county average. Over the last 10 years the yields have been around 148 bushels.

"With the recent rains that we have had, soybean crops could be decent," continued Kenimer. "Maybe around 39-40 bushels and only 30-35 on double crop, behind wheat, soybeans. I hope I am wrong and I am giving to low of an average."

Nevertheless, "the widespread drought has caused much attention on the impact of the rising price of corn on food prices. While there is no doubt that the higher corn prices we are observing are going to affect what we pay for groceries, it varies considerably on the food product and the time period being considered, states Will Snell, Extension Ag Economist on corn prices.

"Overall, only about every 15 cents out of every dollar consumers spend on food can be attributed to value of farm products. Packaging, storage, transportation, labor, profits, among other non-farm items comprise 85% of what we pay in the grocery stores for our food.

"The impact of higher corn prices has a much greater impact

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TVA proposes no rate increase for fiscal year 2013, Kilgore will retire

Despite a challenging year, the Tennessee Valley Authority board of directors on Thursday, Aug. 16, passed a TVA budget for fiscal year 2013 that includes no increase in wholesale electric rates.

Hickman-Fulton Counties Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation (HFRECC) is extremely pleased that TVA has declined pushing another wholesale power increase to its distributors," stated HFRECC President and CEO Greg Grissom. "Our current annual wholesale power bill exceeds 7.5 million dollars, 76% of HFRECC total revenue is earmarked to pay for wholesale power from TVA. In addition HFRECC does not forsee any base retail rate increases for 2013 and 2014."

"This demonstrates TVA's commitment to delivering reliable, low-cost and cleaner energy to consumers and businesses in the Valley," said TVA President and CEO Tom Kilgore. "Supplying reliable, competitively priced electricity is the single most important thing TVA can do for the economic health of the region.

"The budget recommendation approved by the board contains no rate increase for FY2013 and lays the foundation for a consistent rate strategy in the years ahead," he added.

Kilgore noted that even as TVA works to improve its power rates, it also must invest in the power system to address necessary maintenance and operational needs, including environmental projects. The approved 2013 budget, which is based on projected revenues of $11.2 billion, includes $2.7 billion for capital investments, in addition to $9.5 billion for operating expenses.

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THIS WEEK

OBITUARIES

James Ross
Jeannett Fields
John Forbus
Willie Watson
Brenda Harrison

RIVER STAGE FORECASTS
OHIO RIVER AT CAIRO, ILL.

Wednesday, Aug. 22 – 7.7
Thursday, Aug. 23 – 7.9
Friday, Aug. 24 – 8.0
Saturday, Aug. 25 – 8.1
Sunday, Aug. 26 – 7.8

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Local Weather

Thu 8/23 94/62
More sun than clouds. Highs in the mid 90s and lows in the low 60s.

Fri 8/24 94/64
Partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 90s and lows in the mid 60s.

Sat 8/25 94/67
A few clouds. Highs in the mid 90s and lows in the upper 60s.

Sun 8/26 91/67
Considerable cloudiness. Highs in the low 90s and lows in the upper 60s.

Mon 8/27 89/65
Slight chance of a thunderstorm.

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"Please clean up the town," pleads Commission

Charlotte Smith
Editor

With many different activities taking place in Hickman over the last few weeks and coming up in the future, the Hickman City Commission is focused on presenting the city at its best to all residents and visitors. "Last week weekend (Aug. 11-Aug. 12) we had over 100 golfers at the Hickman County Club," stated Commissioner Charles Choate Monday night, Aug. 13. "During Pecan Festival week, September 8 through September 15, we will have even more. We have a good week of activities for everyone to come together and have good fellowship. We want to encourage everybody to please clean up their property. Mow their yard.

"It is a celebration of the citizens of Hickman, Ky.," he added, "It is also meant to bring people from all around the area to Hickman. Hopefully they will come back again. Hopefully while they are here they will spend money. That is what it is all about. We want the town to look nice and it doesn't take that much to get it going."

Mayor David Lattus agreed that cleaning up yards and not blowing grass into the streets will go a long way to welcoming all visitors for the various activities happening over the next several weekends.

The improvement of 7th Street with the demolition of the former Rita Walker home was noted as a major boost to the condition of the main thorough fare. Jackie Duncan, with the Fulton County Detention Center work crew, has also been busy throughout the city taking care of overgrown vegetation and cutting grass. Ultimately, it is the responsibility of every property owner to do their part to beautify Hickman.

Another area of focus for the Commission is ensuring that all residents are purchasing their city stickers and businesses are paying occupational taxes. Chief of Police Tony Grogan is in the process of implementing a plan to visit individual homes within the limits of the law in Hickman to discuss the responsibility of each homeowner to be in compliance with the city sticker ordinance. City Manager Larry Myatt and City Clerk Donna Haney have been sending out letters to businesses who are delinquent in paying occupational taxes, the deadline was in June.

"We need to keep pursuing these items," stated Mayor Lattus. "It is the law and it is a debt to the city when individuals don't purchase their city stickers and businesses don't pay their occupational tax." Those not in compliance will receive a warning and have seven days to purchase their stickers at City Hall.

During unfinished business the Commission approved a change order to the $250,000 KIA Grant with permission to advertise for bids. "The origi-

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Meth trash found in the county

Over the weekend the Fulton County Sheriff's Department received reports of methamphetamine (meth) trash and one meth box lab found. "We would like to encourage the citizens of Fulton County to keep their eyes open for items related to these types of things," stated Sheriff Bobby Hopper. "Please call and report them to us. Your name will remain anonymous." The Sheriff's Department can be reached at 270-236-2545.

School board takes compensating rate

Bledsoe expresses displeasure with MSU and state's calculated graduation rate

Charlotte Smith
Editor

Last year when the school board elected to take the compensating tax rate they still generated approximately $10,000 for the district. This year, after contemplating a recommendation by Superintendent Dennis Bledsoe to hold a public hearing and take the 4% rate increase, Fulton County School Board members Melanie Atwill, Cheryl Williams, Rob Garrigan and Wiley Gannon, opted for the same amount in tax revenue with the rate increasing from 47.6 to 48.1.

Even though the rate is increasing the funds are not because of the loss of taxes of the former Eagle building, which is now owned by a government entity and the loss of homes in the county. Whenever a home is lost to fire or demolished and is not replaced, the tax revenue decreases, due to lost real property values.

"It is the most unpleasant thing the superintendent has to do," stated Supt. Bledsoe when raising taxes. "I was thinking about the loss of grants that we have experienced when I recommended taking the 4% increase." If the board had decided to go up

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Pilot Academy celebrates while Principal Lamb presents Pilot coins

Charlotte Smith
Editor

Eight Pilot Challenge Coins were presented to several community partners during a celebration of the Pilot Academy on Tuesday, Aug. 14. Fulton County High School (FCHS) Principal Tracey Lamb and Instructional Supervisor PaTrice Chambers presented the first coin to Robbie Rudolph. "The Pilot Challenge Coin is being presented to those who represent the friendship and camaraderie given in appreciation of great service to Fulton County Schools and its students," stated Lamb. "It is an honor to give out the first coin during this celebration to Robbie Rudolph of the Four Rivers Scholarship Program (FRSP). The man who has meant so much to this county, this community and this school."

Lamb and Chambers also presented coins to Dianne Owen director of the FRSP, Gina Webster of Murray State University (MSU), Trent Johnson of West Kentucky Community and Technical College (WKCTC), Charley Lattus a 2012 graduate of FCHS, Jeral Mack a senior at FCHS, Tom Pyron Principal at the Fulton County Area Technology Center, and Ellen Murphy FCHS Assistant Principal. Last year the Four Rivers Scholarship Program, now it is third year, had 64 FCHS students take dual credit classes at area colleges like MSU and WKCTC through the program. The average g.p.a. earned was 3.5 while students earned 217 credit hours for college, while still in high school.

"The FRSP is a super opportunity for the four river counties," said Johnson. "This program is like a partnership

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PILOT ACADEMY CELEBRATION - Instruction Supervisor PaTrice Chambers and Fulton County High School Principal Tracey Lamb presented Pilot Challenge Coins to Jeral Mack, Tom Pyron, Robbie Rudolph, Ellen Murphy, Trent Johnson, Gina Winchester, Charley Lattus, and Dianne Owen on Tuesday, Aug. 14 during the Pilot Academy celebration. (Photo by Charlotte Smith.)

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Turning Back The Clock

25 Years Ago
October 29, 1987

Obituaries: L.D Alexander, 84, and Caniele Bondurant, 81.

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Steve Cochrum and Davis Mangold have been accepted into the Nuclear Power Program of the U.S. Navy and will be attending officer's training school. Both graduated from Fulton County High School and are presently attending Murray State University.

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Members of the Fulton County-Hickman Rescue Squad have made a down payment and entered into a contract of sale to purchase a metal building and approximately one acre of land from Carole and Joe Lattus, Jr.

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Taking part as models in the FHA Fashion Show at Fulton County High School were Kim McClure, Jason Howell, Keri Bellew, Kelly Parker, Johnna Carr, David Taylor, Suzanne Strong, Camiel Atwill, Leigh Lewis, Jamie Anderson, Kevin Crider, Michelle Bumpous and Kristen Roberts.

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Mrs. Alyce Richardson took first place honors in the 19th Annual Banana Festival crafts division with her "Basket of Flowers" quilt.

50 Years Ago
December 13, 1962

Cletus Mansfield purchased the Gulf Service Station next to E.W. James and Son Supermarket from Robert Callison last Friday. Mansfield has been affiliated with the U.S. Corps of Engineers for the past 11 years.

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Billy Joe James, formerly of Hickman, was the visiting speaker as the men of the Church of God had their monthly meeting November 29, with 40 men present to enjoy an old-fashioned coon supper.

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At last report some 24 units and three bands were expected to participate in the Hickman Chamber of Commerce sponsored Christmas parade.

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A blanket of snow covered Hickman beginning early Monday morning, approximately 4-1/2 inches fell.

75 Years Ago
December 17, 1937

An account of an eye injury of our operator, Edwin Fuqua, early this week, the Courier will be unable to get a great deal of news copy set. However, we will bring it to our readers in an early issue next week.

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The Hickman Lion's Club received an appeal from the "Big Oak Commission" of Charleston, Mo., for donations to help save the famous "Big Oak" and established it as the central attraction of a large park.

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Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Shelton are the proud parents of a daughter born Friday.

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Santa Claus letters were received from Frankye Louise Crouch, Flora Gene Pierce, Martha Lou Williams, Doris Smith, Bernice Dowell, Mary Ann Dabbs, Martha Lucille Jones and Billy Crouch Hepler.

125 Years Ago
November 19, 1887

There is always a scarcity of chicken, turkeys, eggs, and butter in Hickman.

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A Hickman financier of known ability and integrity, proposes to furnish all the money needed to establish and operate factory enterprises on long time and low interest to good, reliable, enterprising men. Here's your chance.

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Fulton suffered a fire on Saturday in which the Freeman block, a large frame structure and brick building belonging to the Browders, together with a butcher shop, were entirely consumed. The loss is estimated from $5,000 to $6,000 with no insurance.

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We are pleased to know that Henry Campbell has taken a position with Smith and Ellison. He had been for sometime with the firm of Campbell and Wall at Cayce.

Dredging

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as close to our dock as we would like," stated Assistant Port Director Amy Williamson, "but we are able to do some loading and unloading of barges."

The Dorena-Hickman Ferry, which was back in operation last week, did shut down for a short period of time on Thursday while some of the dredging was being performed at the Riverport dock.

The Ohio River level on the Cairo gauge was at 8.9 on Aug. 16 and the Hickman gauge was sitting at 1.16.

During "one of the worst droughts in decades," stated DRA Chairman Chris Massingill on August 7 during a White House Rural Council meeting, "the Authority stands ready to assist the (Obama) Administration and its federal partners in bringing the essential information for the services and programs to the people of its region.

"In conjunction with SBA, USDA and the Department of Commerce, the DRA will help host community outreach events throughout its footprint. The Delta region has seen some of the country's most extreme conditions. When this part of the world experiences severe weather, we see how it impacts our farmers, ranchers, small businesses, rural communities, and families. There is a rippling effect that hinders our region's economy," continued Massingill. "Creating jobs and building the economy of this region are the primary concerns of the DRA. In the coming weeks and months, assistance will be crucial to help keep people on their feet. DRA will help provide that assistance."



UP CLOSE - The is the Weeks Venture up close while it was in the Elvis J. Stahr Harbor performing much needed dredging, which began back on July 21. The harbor was closed to traffic because of low water levels. (Photo submitted.)

TVA

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Kilgore noted that TVA's internal program to reduce costs and improve productivity produced significant results this year and should continue to produce savings into the future, thanks to employee efforts. Examples include using fewer contractors, filling fewer positions and getting more for the money in equipment purchases and services.

"Lower costs for the fuel used to generate electricity also are helping to lower costs for TVA, its customers and consumers," Kilgore said. "Power costs are four percent lower this year than last year, and TVA is on track to have some of the nation's lowest electric rates before 2020.

Long term, having a balanced portfolio of several generating sources – instead of relying heavily on any one source – will help TVA lower power costs and ensure reliability," Kilgore added. TVA also plans to avoid spikes in power prices in the future by considering smaller rate increases more frequently.

"This rate strategy would serve our customers and TVA better by making our rates less volatile and easier to predict," he said. "If TVA had used that approach in past years, TVA rates would be no higher than they are now but TVA would have better cash flow for maintaining and upgrading the power system.

The board of directors also announced last Thursday that the process was already underway to recommend a new president and CEO for TVA as Kilgore announced his retirement by year-end at the August TVA board meeting.

Mr. Kilgore serves as the first president and CEO for the country's largest public power utility. He joined TVA in 2005.

"I look forward to working more on my farm," said Mr. Kilgore, who grew up in northeast Alabama. "And I am proud of TVA's focus on low rates, clean, reliable energy and enhancing the economic growth in the Tennessee Valley."

A Look Back

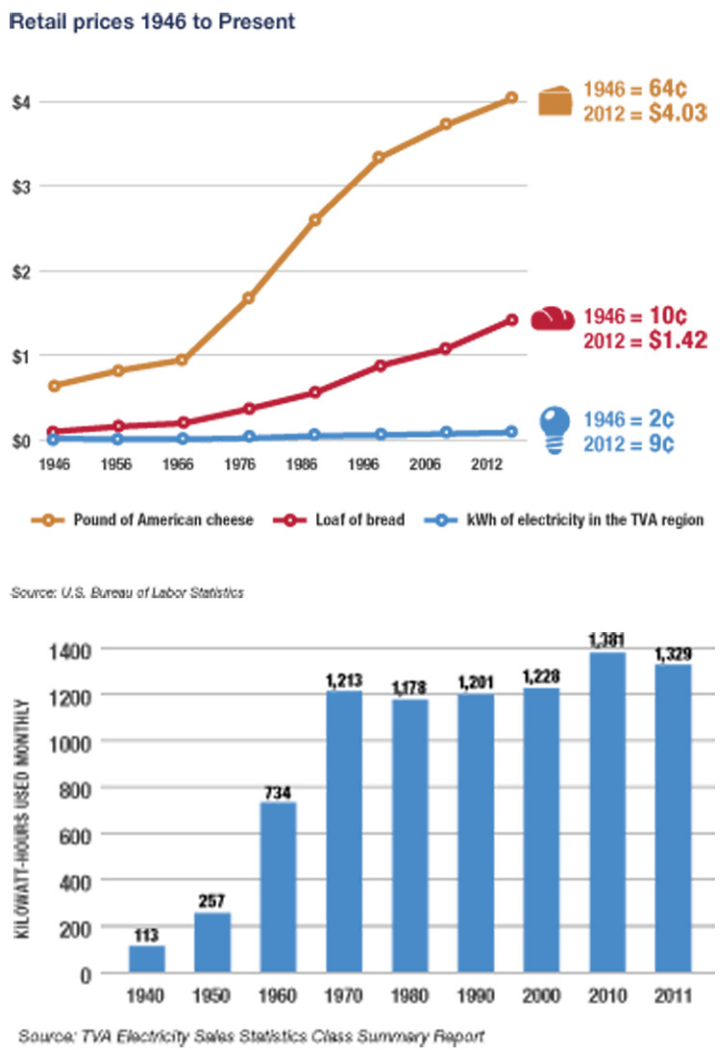
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A kilowatt-hour of electricity cost about two cents in 1946. Today, a kilowatt-hour of electricity in the Tennessee Valley region is only about nine cents, well below the national average.

Meanwhile, the cost of other basic items, such as a gallon of gasoline or loaf of bread, has increased dramatically. For example, a gallon of gasoline that cost 16 cents in 1946 is more than $3.50 in 2012. *(See the attached chart.)*

Electricity is solidly reliable – it's there when you need it, and it's a good value.

For more information please visit HFRECC's website at www.hfrecc.com or on Facebook.



An untapped resource in Fulton County

Are you sitting at home, with nothing to do and wishing that you had someone to talk to or visit with or that there was some way you could get out of the house for just a little while? Maybe you are wanting to get a little more active but you are afraid that you may fall. Or maybe you are wanting to learn a new craft with friends or eat a hot meal with others your age.

We have a resource available to you and, if you are low income, it is completely free. If you are not low income, the daily rate is very, very low. The Fulton County Adult Day in Hickman provides programs for adults in a community-based group setting. These programs are planned to provide daytime social, recreational, and educational services. Participants receive snacks, hot meals, and free transportation services in addition to opportunities to interact with other seniors. Our transportation services are

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6th Annual River Rat Race
5K Run and Fun Walk
Saturday, Sept. 8, at 8 a.m.,
Fulton County High School
Cost is $15

The first 30 participants will receive a River Rat Race T-shirt. Please mail Registration Forms and payment to: Hickman Rotary Club, River Rat Race, P.O. Box 64, Hickman, KY 42050; or drop off at: Paul Henderson, Porter Insurance Agency, 1510 Union City Hwy., Hickman, KY 42050. Make checks payable to Hickman Rotary Club, sponsor for this year's event. Race day registration will begin at 7:30 a.m. If you have any questions please call Penny Fleming at 731-335-3100.

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Extension celebrates 100 years of county agents

By Katie Pratt

LEXINGTON, Ky., (July 20, 2012) -Whether they rode up to a farm on a horse-drawn buggy or offer advice on the bed of a pick-up truck, county extension agents have been providing unbiased, researched-based information to Kentucky farmers for a century.

"Even though we are a hundred years old, the University of Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service is seeking to find and serve people where they are and in ways they want to receive information," said Jimmy Henning director of the Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service. "Today, that includes the farm visit and the smartphone. In addition, programs have expanded to encompass youth, families, community development and even fine arts."

Charles Mahan was hired as the first full-time county agent in agriculture in the fall of 1912 in Henderson County, even though Congress' Smith-Lever Act didn't establish the Cooperative Extension Service until 1914. His annual salary of $1,400 was split between the county and the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Office of Farm Management. During his first year, he did his work by horse and buggy. After that, local leaders bought him a red motorcycle so he could visit farmers.

Six more agriculture agents were hired by spring 1913. The first home demonstration agents, now called family and consumer sciences extension agents, were hired in early 1914 on a short-term basis. They worked through the summer teaching food preservation techniques to women and girls. J.M. Feltner is listed as a district 4-H club agent for Eastern Kentucky based out of Laurel County in 1917. However, from the late 1930s until the early 1950s, those who primarily worked with counties' young people held the title of assistant agent in agriculture or assistant agent in home economics. In the 1960s, these agents officially became county 4-H agents.

Mahan left the state for a brief period for extension jobs in Indiana and Ohio. When he returned in 1920, he became the state supervisor for Kentucky Cooperative Extension county agents. In a speech he wrote after returning to Kentucky, Mahan said one of the biggest functions of his job was to "develop sane, safe, local leaders who can be trusted to think things through, see both sides of the question, give wise council and leadership to their fellow men." To that extent, he helped determine that extension agents' function should be primarily education, offering unbiased, research-based information to their clients. This continues to be the philosophy of Cooperative Extension today.

For Warren Thompson, becoming a county agent was his goal from a young age. As a boy growing up in Fulton County, he watched his parents work with extension agents on various projects and he participated in 4-H, which was led by H.C. "Corley" Brown, Fulton County agriculture agent from 1930-1933.

"I held county agents in such high esteem," he said. "They were bright, listened and worked with everyone. Corley Brown was so full of vigor and vitality. I wanted to be just like him."

After graduating from UK and being an assistant county agent for a short period, Thompson was hired as the Hickman County agriculture and natural resources extension agent in the spring of 1943.

"The biggest task for an agent was to try to find people who were not satisfied and wanted a better way to do things, and parents who wanted better lives for their kids," Thompson said.

Thompson said county agents helped bridge the communication gap between the university and rural Kentuckians. As agent, he worked with producers in his county to plant hybrid corn, cross-breed cattle to improve genetics and milk production, and plant tall fescue to control soil erosion. While it would be 30 more years before researchers understood the effects the tall fescue endophyte had on cattle, Thompson worked with producers to seed legumes so cattle could graze the fescue without becoming sick.

During this time, only Clinton, the Hickman County seat, had telephone service, and it wasn't always functional. To get the latest information from the university, Thompson attended every UK field day that he could in Princeton and Lexington. He shared this information with farmers during farm visits, through articles he wrote for the local newspaper and by word of mouth. He convinced producers to let him put on-farm demonstrations by the road so everyone could see them.

Today, communication is much improved, but UK specialists still have on-farm research trials, and the majority of agents still has weekly columns in the newspapers and makes farm visits. They also use the latest communication tools including the Internet, social media and YouTube to provide farmers with the most current information.

Few people can attest to extension agents' quality of work better than the descendants of Charles Mahan. A century later, his grandson and great-grandson continue to be heavily involved with Cooperative Extension and agriculture in Central Kentucky.

"My grandfather helped establish the connection between Extension and Farm Bureau, and as a former state director of Kentucky Farm Bureau, I see the value of the two organizations working together," said Jim Mahan. "By serving on the Agricultural Development Board, I know that the investment the Governor's Office for Agricultural Policy made in agriculture communities across the state couldn't have been done without the Extension Service."

Jim Mahan's son, John, and Nick Carter, Fayette County agriculture and natural resources extension agent, worked together before Carter became an agent, as he was John Mahan's banker.

"I've always been a part of their operation in providing them with service and education," Carter said. "I've also pointed them to specialists at UK."

Since Carter became an extension agent, he and John Mahan have worked together on crop production issues such as lodging in corn and fungicide applications and economics related to the Mahans' agricultural operation.

Jim Mahan has served on the Fayette County District Extension Board and continues to serve on the Fayette County Extension Council. The Mahans and Carter worked to incorporate agriculture back into the Lexington Lions Club Bluegrass Fair.

"Agriculture is Nick's passion, and it shows through his dedication to his job," said John Mahan. "There has been more than one occasion when Nick and I have studied an issue in a crop by the lights of a pick-up truck."



Fulton County Extension Agents Cam Kenimer (left) and Bernita Cheirs (right).

Trying 'in a humble way' to improve the Mississippi over time

The role of the Mississippi River Commission has changed in some important ways since he was appointed by then-President Ronald Reagan in 1981, says R.D. James. But one thing hasn't-the group's vigilance in keeping commerce flowing and people in the watershed safe.

"I think our number one mission is to safely pass floods down the Lower Mississippi River Valley," he said. "If we don't do that, people will lose their lives, and that is not acceptable."

"In addition to flood safety, the commission is increasingly looking at the blending of some missions relatively new to the lower stretches of the Mississippi," said Commissioner James.

In addition to flood safety, the commission is increasingly looking at the blending of some newer river missions. Unlike when he first joined, every decision made today strongly considers environmental impacts and ways to improve the environment, he said. Structures like rock dikes are now being built with notches to reconnect the river to backwaters and improve fish habitat. Even areas of the river long feared as treacherous are being considered for recreation opportunities.

"We're looking at anything we can do within our flood control and navigation authorities to make that happen," he said. "But between currents and eddies, velocity of the water, the towboats…It's not like the Upper Mississippi where we have a series of pools to recreate in. The first time I ever went to Minnesota, to Red Wing, what I could not get over was the volume of pleasure boats. I thought, "What in the world?"

Recreating on the river isn't a new concept to James, though. Growing up in Hickman, Ky., he'd swim and water ski in the Mississippi, and buy the fresh fish available daily at local docks. He moved away to get a degree in civil engineering but moved into the Birds Point-New Madrid spillway to farm cotton and run his father-in-law's cotton gin. While there, he became active in local levee boards and drainage districts, which nominated him for the high honor of Mississippi River Commissioner in 1981.

Of the seven members, he is the second-longest serving member behind Sam Angel, who was appointed in 1979. None represents a particular river stretch; instead, all look out for the interests of the entire watershed. James has been in the spotlight for his home turf since participating in the heart-wrenching decision to activate the Birds Point-New Madrid floodway-one that flooded his own land and livelihood as well as his son's and many neighbors'.

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DIVINE PROVIDENCE - RD James, former classmate of Sandra Lattus (left) and her husband, David Lattus (right), received the book Divine Providence on the 2011 Flood of the Mississippi River from James. James is a member of the Mississippi River Commission. (Photo by Barbara Atwill.)



MISSISSIPPI RIVER COMMISSION - On Monday, Aug. 20 members of the Mississippi River Commission were in the area for the annual Low Water Inspection including: (l to r) Admiral Glang, Clifford Smith, Sam Angle, Master General Peabody, R.D. James, Brigadere General Burcham and Colonel Funkhouser. Also attending the inspection, but not pictured, were Hickman Mayor David Lattus, Commissioner Roger Adams, City Manager Larry Myatt, Fulton County Magistrates Billy "Bubba" Nelms and George A. Jones, Levee Board members David Weatherly and Doug Voorhees, Hickman-Fulton County Riverport Authority board members John Wayne Davie and Monroe Bellew. (Photo by Larry Myatt.)

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Senior Spirit

By Glenda Cochrum

Most of us love our routines. We have a certain way we drive home. We have a special chair we like to sit in. We have specific days we like to do certain errands. We don't always know how these routines started, but we do notice how important they are to us when they get disrupted. Routines can feel grounding and comfortable to us in an otherwise uncertain world. One of the biggest challenges, and perhaps biggest opportunities for older adults is just how big changes in daily routines can be. Retiring, moving to another town or apartment, or coping with a serious illness can wreck havoc on our routines! Big questions arise like, "What happens at 8:00 a.m. now that I'm retired?" or "What am I going to do now that I can't pull the trash to the curb?" or "How am I going to live by myself now that I'm alone?" There is often a sense of loss when you can no longer do what you're used to doing. Fortunately, the breaking up of old routines creates space in your life for new ones and provides the answers to your questions. I hope you'll find something that interests you in Senior Spirit and come start a new routine with us!

Are there specific activities that you would like to see available at the Hickman Senior Citizen Center? Are you interested in card games such as Rook or Canasta? Dominos? Movies? Motivational speakers? Technology training? Health & Nutrition seminars? What's your interest?? Please let us know by just calling 236-2826, tell us, and help us in planning activities and services for our community's older adults!!

We play Bingo (25 cents a card) each Monday and Wednesday following lunch! Come out and join us for the fun at approximately 11:30 for Bingo. You never know what you might win with that BINGO! The money goes to assist with buying materials for Adult Day Care (ADC) activities. Winners of this week's Bingo games were: Bob White, Ray Drewry, Josephine Warren, and Julia Davis winning coverall in the Monday games. Wednesday winners were Blossie Cheirs, Ray Drewry, James Griffith and coverall, Ray Drewry!

Did you realize that you may join the "lunch bunch" at the Hickman Senior Center for a nourishing, nutritious, hot lunch that is prepared on-site? Check out the menu listed below and come join us for lunch! The cost is $4 for non-seniors, and a donation of $2 per meal would be appreciated for all those 60 years of age and older! Lunches like these take place at senior centers across the country as part of the Older Americans Act and are available for people who are 60 or older, regardless of income. Just call 236-2826 and tell us you will be coming to the center for lunch!!

Words of Wisdom:

Lots of people want to ride with you in the limo, but what you want is someone who will take the bus with you when the limo breaks down.

Oprah Winfrey

From The Director's Desk…

Last week's question was "What do you put in a toaster".

Answer: "bread." If you said "toast," give up now and do something else. Try not to hurt yourself. If you said, bread, proceed with the test…

Say "silk" five times. Now spell "silk". What do cows drink?

See next week's paper for the answer.

The following items with be served at the Senior Center next week:

Monday, August 27

Cuban style pork roast, mashed potatoes, buttered spinach, whole-wheat roll, fruit cobbler, and skim milk.

Tuesday, August 28

Herb baked chicken, new potatoes, stewed tomatoes and okra, whole-wheat roll, peach slices, and skim milk.

Wednesday, August 29

Hamburger on bun, lettuce and tomato, baked potato, margarine and sour cream, calico slaw, fruit cup, and skim milk.

Thursday, August 30

Tuna salad on wheat bread, potato salad, black bean and corn relish, cheddar cheese, mandarin oranges, and skim milk.

Friday, August 31

Potato crunch Pollock, navy beans, cooked cabbage, cornbread, brownie, and skim milk.

J.A. Browder fathers nine children

James Alpheus Browder, the oldest of ten children of David and Mary (Smith) Browder, was born March 6, 1828 in what is now Fulton County, and died at the age of 43, October 5, 1871, and is buried at Palestine Cemetery near Fulton.

His grandfather, Isham Browder, a Revolutionary soldier from Virginia settled in Hopkins County. His grandmother, Rachel, the daughter of John Slaydon, a Revolutionary soldier, and Susannah Hodges of Hopkins County, Kentucky, was the granddaughter of Arthur and Rachel Slaydon of Goochland County, Virginia.

Alpheus Browder's maternal grandparents were Elias and Margaret (Vaught) Smith of Hopkins County. Elias Smith was the son of John Smith, who died in 1801 in Muhlenberg County. Peggy Vaught's father, John Vaught, a Revolutionary soldier was the son of Christian and Hannah (Crum) Vaught of Hagerstown, Maryland.

He was a farmer and a devout member of Palestine Methodist Church, serving his church in many capacities.

On December 17, 1852, he was married to Caroline Elizabeth Bard, the daughter of Samuel and Catherine Holland Bard of Hickman County. (See Samuel Bard history)

Their nine children were:

1. James Samuel, 1852-1871, unmarried
2. Mary Catherine (Mollie), 1854-1890, married Dr. John E. Morris and settled in Madisonville, Texas.
3. Albert David, 1856-1901, unmarried.
4. Eugenia Ann (Genie), 1858-1943, married J.E. Fields (see J.E.F.)
5. John C., 1860-1944, married Louella Milner.
6. Margaret Lee (Mag), 1863-1885, married Frank King, II Kilgore
7. Benjamin Edward, 1866-1939, married I, Magdalene Guerrant; II, Dora Davidson; and III, Della Bugg
8. Martha Victoria (Mattie), 1867-1892, was the second wife of John M. Wright.
9. Lula Jane, 1870-1943, married William Sidney Bard (See John E. Bard).

All nine children, with the exception of Mary Catherine (Mollie) settled and reared their families in Fulton County and all nine are buried at Palestine. Dr. Morris moved his family to Texas because of his health.

The Browder farm is now the western end of the Fulton airport.

Happy Birthday

The Hickman Courier wishes all these good folks a very happy birthday! Help make their days more special by remembering them with a card or a phone call.

August 26 – Drew Parker, Charles Mudd, Jr., Jeffrey Sauerwin, Raye Henry, Chance Morgan, Shemalle Pierce, Andrea Kay Langford March, Lauren Blaine Newsom, Charles Ian Goodman, and Tammy Parker.

August 27 – Ruth Glidewell, Vickie Parks, James Bobbitt, Phillip E. Powell, Johnny Baggett, Gladys Crittenden, Vicious Pierce, and Robert Hardin.

August 28 – Fred Murphy, Bobby Bloodworth, Sherry Sumara, Byron Tucker, Rachel Mudd, Danielle Ross, Scott Lawrence, and Myatya Knight.

August 29 – Donna Lane, Jody Yonts, James Ross, and Bucky Sauerwin.

August 30 – Thelma Linder, Margaret Harrison, Carolyn Stroud, Heather Hulin, Billy Joe Grogan, Tom Pyron, Harry Ward, Braden Alexander Costello, and Canitha McCranie.

August 31 – Greg Chandler, Laurie Green, Charles Murphy, Jr., Dionne Nerren, Harriet Blankenship, Gabby Alexander, Dustin Hickerson, and Stephanie B. Caldwell.

September 1 – Gina Bennett Wall, Sue Jones, Robin Reeves, and Roy Thomas.



Hickman Duplicate Bridge Club

Club winners for Tuesday, August 14 were as follows: Betty Amberg and Jo Grissom, first place; Betty Fields and Doris Lattus, second place; and Margie Evans and Carol Howell and Dianna Nerren and Nancy Richards, tied for third place.

Pilot golf team starts season strong

Charles Choate
Courier Correspondent

For those who followed the Fulton County golf team last season, it was quiet easy to see that something special was right around the horizon.

The young group, on the boys side, have bolstered both their playing skills and winning attitude, which showed this past week in matches against Carlisle County and their appearance in the All-A Classic Regional Golf Tournament.

The Pilots proved their status among area teams last Monday, when they won their first match of the year against district opponent Carlise County.

The four-member team posted their lowest score ever as a group, beating the Comets 175-222 at the Hickman Country Club.

Senior Javin West led the Pilots with a nine hole score of one-under-par 35, followed by sophomore Ryne Choate's five-over-par 41.

Freshman Jarett West posted a seven-over-par 43, with sophomore Madison Uzzle shooting a 56.

Carlisle County was led by Paxton Crider's 13-over-par 49.

For the Lady Pilots in individual play, Daisy Major shot 70, while Carlisle County's Sydney Hicks posted a 51.

All-A Classic Region Tournament – The Silos Country Club

The Pilots golf team turned in one of their best performances ever, in the tournament featuring the Region's smaller enrollment high schools.

Ten teams of boys golfers gathered at the Silos Country Club Friday morning, for the 18 hole tournament and chance to participate in the State All-A Tournament.

When play was concluded, the Pilots combined for a team score of 363, placing them 5th in the tournament.

For the day, Javin West shot 41-41 for a total of 82, followed by teammate Ryne Choate's 43-41 for 84.

Madison Uzzle posted scores of 51-47 for 98 and Jarett West tallied a 52-47 for 99.

St. Mary High School claimed the All-A Regional title, its seventh straight, posting a team score of 301 in the tournament.

The Vikings Matthew Zukutney also won the individual title by shooting a 38-34 for even par 72.

All-A Classic Regional Tournament – Silos Country Club

St. Mary – 301
Murray High – 322
Heath – 324
Ballard Memorial – 334
Fulton County – 363
Mayfield – 371
Hickman County – 392
Christian Fellowship – 423
Carlisle County – 461
Reidland – (NTS)



FAIRWAY SHOT - Fulton County's Javin West hits an approach shot on the second hole at the Hickman Country Club last week. West posted a one-under-par 35 to help guide the Pilots to a season opening win over Carlisle County.



PAR STROKE - Pilots golfer Ryne Choate sinks this par putt during play at the All-A Region Tournament last Friday. Choate turned in an 18 hole score of 84, as the Pilots team finished fifth in the ten team field at the Silos Country Club.



GETTING DOWN LOW - Marianna Harris goes to her knees during a match at Carlisle County with teammates Abby Miller, Carlee Stafford, Jessica Mathews, Amy Langford and Sarah Copeland ready to keep the volley going. (Photo by Lee Ann Stafford.)



WAITING FOR THE SERVE - Fulton County Junior Varsity Volleyball players AnnaGregory Grissom, Holly Fletcher, Carly McNeill and Leah Rash are waiting for the serve with Sarah Copeland in the background watching the line. (Photo by Lee Ann Stafford.)



Sports In Kentucky
For the Hickman Courier
By Bob Watkins

The Governor's Cup, Kentucky at Louisville.

Crunching a few numbers. Since 1994 the series has been a fixture for television, albeit played on whatever day and at whatever time a network chooses.

Kentucky leads the series 14-10 and it has been a model for parity. Each school has won half of the last 10 games.

From coaches Howard Schnellenberger to Charlie Strong, Rich Brooks and Joker Phillips, the passion and bragging have been kept mostly at a healthy tone and temperature and decibel level.

Two years ago the Howard Schnellenberger Award was instituted. Most outstanding player in the game went to UK's Derrick Locke in 2010, and UofL's Dexter Heyman last year.

All is well, right? I don't think so. Certainly not as season opener.

Times have changed. For Kentucky, SEC expansion means the likelihood of an added league game. For Louisville, moving to another more challenging conference is in the cards.

The Governor's Cup was a dream-come-true for Schnellenberger and "fair thing," thinking by Bill Curry. It elevated Louisville football and was a coup for director of athletics Tom Jurich. For Kentucky's up-and-mostly down football it has become a physical and psychological bruise tattooed on before going into America's black-and-bruiser meat grinder SEC.

These things, and with each school having split the last 10 games, next week's Governor's Cup should be tie-breaker and right time to put the series on pause. Say, for five years.

Favored by two touchdowns next week and picked to win the Big East this season, Louisville no longer needs the team in Lexington to get a teevee date. Cardinal Football has gotten its brand to a level where flirtation with the Big 12 is not a joke.

Kentucky? Start with 2,060 reasons to put the UofL series on the shelf. That's the number of tickets Wildcat fans did not buy for the Governor's Cup game next week.

Stark reality: UK fans have taken a powder for Week One in 2012, abandoned their team for its season opener. For Big Blue Nation it's Labor Day weekend, backyard party and ESPN.

Unless Joker Phillips' underdog team stuns UofL, or makes an impressive show at Papa John's Cardinal Stadium September 2, the home opener six nights with Kent State (5-7 last year), won't be a sell-out either.

From there, if we start to hear echoes cascade across empty seats at Commonwealth Stadium, then (nice man) Joker Phillips will start to hear drumbeat and groans in the distance.

We all know too well the rest of this medley.

MIRACLE AT WEST LIBERTY?

Story of the year in Kentucky, 2012? I have a nominee.

Rebuild has been a watch word around West Liberty in Morgan County, since March 4, when a tornado ravaged downtown. Last week a new sparkle of sunlight burst out following the whir of helicopter blades. It became an occasion to stir the soul, restore optimism and faith in our fellows.

University of Kentucky basketball coach John Calipari flew into the town of 4,000-plus and sparked a fund-raiser. At the coach's urging donations began to roll in, thousands of dollars. Rebuild a town, rejuvenate county and help a region rebound from its March catastrophe.

Calipari challenged Kentuckians to donate, they did and he matched every dollar. In November at Rupp Arena, a basketball game at Rupp Arena will feature feature former Wildcats with proceeds going to rebuild West Liberty.

What can be said about Calipari's philanthropy? For all the right reasons its the right thing for celebrities to do. We can be sure, can't we, Ashley Judd will arrive in Morgan County soon? With her checkbook open of course.

"America! I love this place."

CAN'T FIX STUPID DEPT.

Hollywood icon John Wayne said once: "Life's hard. It's even harder when you're stupid."

An apt description for an item on the internet last week. About UK freshman-to-be Nerlens Noel, a web-site kid declared, "UK big man is the most overrated prospect in 2012.

"... his lack of strength, offensive skills and feel for the game will likely prevent Noel from being the player most expect him to be. Averages of eight points, seven rebounds and three blocks per game would be a reasonable expectation as a freshman. Those numbers are not bad. Unfortunately, expectations for Noel are so high that many will consider that kind of season to be a major disappointment and will likely apply the bust tag if Kentucky fails to reach the lofty expectations set for them."

THE MAN UK FANS FORGOT

The coach (too) many Big Blue Nation fans still try to forget, Dr. Orlando 'Tubby' Smith. He received a contract extension from Minnesota recently.

What a career for Tubby. In 21 seasons (Tulsa, Georgia, Kentucky and Minnesota), his teams gave fans 20-plus win season 18 times, all 10 at Kentucky.

At UK, 263-83 (76 per cent), three wins in every four games, an NCAA title.

And this statistic: In the pantheon of basketball coaches at Kentucky only one was never connected to an NCAA rules violations and/or probation.

Quite a legacy for Dr. Tubby Smith.

And so it goes.

Lady Pilots headed in right direction, aiming for a win

Charlotte Smith
Editor

Last week the Lady Pilots volleyball team played one district game, away, and a non-district game, at home to start the season with Head Coach Mathew Dillon in command and Deann Reed back with the squad as the assistant coach. Both matches ended up in losses for the Lady Pilots early in the season.

The district game was against the Lady Comets of Carlisle County on Tuesday, Aug. 14. "The Carlisle game was an exciting game to watch," commented Coach Dillon, "both the Junior Varsity (JV) and Varsity." The JV lost the first set, won the second, and then lost in the third set by only four points. "The girls were really nervous, but I think they got all the butterflies out finally."

The Varsity squad took to the court next. "They played really well," Coach Dillon said. "Their serves were great and we only had six service errors in three sets. We won the first set 25 - 17, let the second set 23 - 25, and then lost in the third set 11 - 25."

Coach Dillon blames fatigue for the loss in the third set. "In the end, we tired out," he noted. "I saw a lot of good things to build on."

On Thursday, Aug. 25 the JV took to the court once again, this time at home against the Lady Greyhounds. "During the Reidland game they are serving the ball and had great ball control,"– he said. "The JV lost in straight sets. The players on the JV squad are still learning and I believe they learned a lot about themselves and what they need to do to get better."

An error during the second set altered the momentum of the Lady Pilots. "The Varsity hung with Reidland for a little while," Coach Dillon said. "The game went back and forth during the first set, which we lost 18 - 25. During the second set I made an error with my substitutions with the Libero and that hurt our momentum." The Lady Pilots ended up losing 14 - 25.

"The girls still played well," he continued, "but it wasn't enough to come out on top. Reidland has a good team and a really good coach. They have gotten better each time we play them."

The Lady Pilots were back in action on Tuesday, Aug. 21 traveling to Hickman County to take on the Lady Falcons.



TALKING STRATEGY - Volleyball Coach Mathew Dillon talks strategy during a timeout with his Junior Varisty squad players Leah Rash, Carly McNeill, Amy Langford, Holly Fletcher, AnnaGregory Grissom, and Linsey Grissom on Thursday, Aug. 16 at home against Reidland. (Photo by Charlotte Smith.)



THE RETURN - (At left) Amy Langford sends the ball over the net with teammates Darcy Patrick, Leah Rash, and Holly Fletcher looking on along with coaches Mathew Dillon and Deann Reed. The Lady Pilots played the Lady Comets on Tuesday, Aug. 14. (Photo by Lee Ann Stafford.)

FULTON CO. VOLLEYBALL 2012

8/23	**Mayfield**	**6:00**	**(JV/V)**
8/25	All "A" Classic @ Paducah SportsPlex	TBA	(V)
8/28	**Fulton City**	**6:00**	**(JV/V)**
9/Sept. 4	Reidland	6:00	(JV/V)
9/11	MayfieldA	6:00	(JV/V)
9/13	**Carlisle County**	**6:00**	**(JV/V)**
9/15	Heath Pirate Trny	TBA	(V)

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Lemon Icebox Pie

by Mike Piercefield

Crust:

1 1/3 C butter cookie crumbs
1/4 c. sugar
Pinch of salt
5 tbls unsalted butter, melted

Filling:

1 4 oz can sweetened condensed milk
2/3 c. fresh lemon juice, strained
2 tsp. lemon zest, finely grated
Pinch of salt
2 large egg yolks (save whites for meringue) plus 1 whole egg, lightly beaten

Meringue:

1/2 c. sugar
2 tsp vanilla
3 large egg whites, room temperature

Preheat oven to 375,

Mix all crust ingredients. Spray a 9" pie plate with cooking spray and press the crust evenly on the bottom and up the sides of the plate. Freeze for 30 minutes so the crust will keep its shape when you bake it. bake for 10 minutes or until the crust is firm and the edges turn golden. Remove crust from oven and then turn the oven temperature down to 325.

Now make the filling. Whisk together condensed milk, lemon juice and zest, egg yolks, whole egg, and pinch of salt. Beat until smooth. Pour filling into the warm crust and put back into the oven. Bake until the center is set, about 25-30 minutes. Allow pie to cool on a wire rack until room temperature and then refrigerate for at least 3 hours, lightly covered with plastic wrap.

Construct a double boiler with boiling water in the bottom bowl and the egg whites, vanilla and sugar in the top. Beat on low until the sugar is dissolved completely, then put the spurs to it until medium peaks form, 8-9 minutes.

Spoon or pipe the meringue onto your pie any way you think is pretty. You can either place your pie under your broiler or use your fancy chef's torch to brown the peaks.

Serve this refreshing summer treat cold with plenty of iced tea or coffee.

Baked Cream Cheese Spaghetti Pasta

by Rhonda Ferguson

12 oz spaghetti
1 (28 ounce) jars prepared spaghetti sauce
1 lb lean ground beef
1 tsp Italian seasoning
1 clove garlic, minced
8 ounces cream cheese
1/2 cup parmesan cheese, grated

Preheat oven to 350 F degrees.

In a skillet, brown the ground beef until cooked through; drain fat and stir in spaghetti sauce. Set aside.

Cook spaghetti according to directions on packet. Drain and place cooked spaghetti in bowl. Add cream cheese, Italian Seasoning and minced garlic. Stir until cream cheese is melted and the spaghetti is thoroughly coated.

Lightly grease a 9x13" pan. Spread a small amount of meat sauce in the bottom of the dish. Put spaghetti on top of sauce and top with remaining meat sauce. Sprinkle parmesan cheese on top.

Bake for 30 minutes, until bubbly.

Payday Bars

by Laurie Baird

Crust:

1 box yellow cake mix
1 egg
1/3 cup melted butter
3 – 5 cups marshmallows

Directions:

Preheat oven to 350°. Mix ingredients (it will be really thick) and press in a 13 x 9-inch pan sprayed with cooking spray. Bake for 13 minutes.

Sprinkle crust with 3 – 5 cups of marshmallows, evenly placing them over the entire crust. Place back in oven for 2 – 3 minutes until marshmallows become "puffy". Remove and set aside.

Topping:

2/3 cup light corn syrup
1/4 cup butter
2 teaspoons vanilla
2 cups peanut butter chips
2 cups salted peanuts
1-1/2 cups rice crispy cereal

In a large saucepan over medium heat stir together corn syrup, butter, vanilla and peanut butter chips. Stir until melted. Add cereal and peanuts. Carefully spoon over marshmallows and spread evenly, once the pan is cool enough, chill in refrigerator for at least one hour. Cut into small squares and serve.

Pilots' offense sputters in season opener at Sanger Field

The Reidland Greyhounds won the toss, elected to receive the ball to start the game, and it was all theirs from the very beginning. The Pilots hosted the Greyhounds for their first home game of the season at Sanger Field on Friday, Aug. 17, falling 0 - 23.

Aaron Allen, a freshman, kicked off to the Greyhounds to start the clock. Allen would later make a tackle with Reidland gaining yardage to the 43 yard line.

Damontrell Pierce, who also carries the ball for the Pilots, made the next tackle, but not before the Greyhounds gained another first down.

A false start by the boys in red would result in a second and 15 and back-to-back tackles by LaDarrian Polk for no gain and a minimal loss would result in forcing the Greyhounds to punt.

The Pilots would let the ball roll and would take over on their own eight-yard line. After an illegal substitution the Pilots would be pinned deeper in their own territory and two plays later the Pilots would be tackled in their end zone, resulting in a safety with 8:13 to go in the first quarter.

Allen would kick off again and this time the Greyhounds would find a seam in the Pilot defense with Mack Hamby taking it all the way into the end zone for six points.

Now down, 0 - 9, the Pilots speedster Pierce would return the ball to the 45 yard-line after catching it at the 15. A loss of yardage on the Damian Roach quarterback keeper and a dropped pass by Pierce would bring up third and 14. An overthrown pass on the next play forces the Pilots to punt.

Pilot defenders Terrell Wilson, Allen, Mike McClerkin, Octavious Smith, and Polk would keep the Greyhounds out of the end zone. Tommy Nolan almost had an interception, bringing up fourth and 14. Going for it on fourth and 19 after a false start resulted in the Greyhounds turning the ball over on downs when they failed to gain the first down gave the Pilots the ball back.

The Pilots take over on their 20 yard line. With no gain, they hand the ball off to Pierce on second and ten and he gains nine yards. Roach would pick up the first down on the quarterback keeper with 1:28 to go in the opening quarter. A couple of penalties would stall the drive and on first and 31 Roach's pass would be intercepted by the Greyhounds.



Head Coach Deatrik Kinney

With 10:57 to go in the half, the Greyhounds would score, putting them in the lead 0 - 16.

A fumble by the Pilots would give the ball right back to the Greyhound offense with 9:52 left in the quarter. A good defensive play by McClerkin and a dropped Reidland ball would be big for the Pilots, giving them possession of the ball.

Both teams would go back and forth, neither scoring until late in the second quarter when the Greyhounds would cross the goal again with 21 seconds to go in the half after an on-side kick took the Pilots by surprise.

JaMaal Crumble and a host of Pilot defenders would keep the Greyhounds scoreless in the second half. Unfortunately, the Pilots were also unable to score.

In the third quarter with 3:37 to go, an injury time out was called when Allen was hurt on a defensive play. He would leave the field via Tri Cities Ambulance.

Neither team mustered up any big offensive plays in the fourth quarter and the Pilots fell in their home opener 0 - 23.

This week they have been busy preparing to travel to Lake County to take on the flying high Falcons in nearby Lake County, Tenn. Friday night, Aug. 24 at 7:30 p.m.



GOOD DEFENSIVE PLAY - Mike McClerkin, #83, goes up to defend the pass play during Friday night's game against the Reidland Greyhounds. (Photo by Leonard Smith, Sr.)



IN THE HUDDLE - Fulton County Pilots are huddled up while working on defense in Friday night's home opener. (Photo by Leonard Smith, Sr.)

Jr. Pilots score three times in first road game of the season

Charlotte Smith
Editor

The Jr. Pilots made it into the end zone three times during their season opener against the Reidland Jr. Greyhounds on Thursday, Aug. 16. They also converted all three two-point conversions in the 43-22 loss.

"I thought we did well for our first game of the year even though we didn't win," stated Head Coach James Bridges. "We still had a lot of positive things happen in the game and we scored."

Davis Major scored twice and Cameron Matheny once to account for the three Jr. Pilot touchdowns. Ty Warren converted on two of the three two-point conversions, with fellow teammate and quarterback Jake Russell converting the third.

"Nataven Bransford had some huge catches on the night," added Coach Bridges. "The line blocked well, giving Jake Russell time to throw the ball."

Overall Coach Bridges was pleased with the team's performance. "I thought the team's overall performance was great," he said. "We will always have areas to improve and get better."

The Jr. Pilots played their first home game at Sanger Field on Tuesday, Aug. 21 playing host to the Heath Jr. Pirates. Look to next week's game for all the action and results.



HOLDING ON - Jr. Pilot Cameron Matheny holds on to the ball as a couple of Jr. Greyhound defenders take him down during last Thursday night's game at Reidland. Matheny scored a touchdown in the game. (Photo submitted.)



MAJOR BROTHERS TEAM - Members of the Hickman Rotary Club Major Brothers Machine Pitch Team from this summer include: (front row, l to r) Jay Sipes, Julien Whitten, Hunter Woods, A.J. Turner, Webbie Turner, Jordan Pirtle, Remington Stewart, and Blake Edwards; (middle row, l to r) Dustin White, Michelle Newton, Marlena Sipes, and Kyle Bridges; and (back row, l to r) Coaches Robby Woods and Bro. Jason Sipes. (Not pictured: Hunter Adams, John Davis Swain and Coach Bubba Dale Edwards.) (Photo submitted.)



TIME OUT PEP TALK - Jr. Pilots Head Coach James Bridges talks things over with his players during a break in the action at Reidland last Thursday. The Jr. Pilots were at home on Tuesday, Aug. 21 hosting the Heath Jr. Pirates at 6 p.m. (Photo submitted.)

FULTON CO. MIDDLE SCHOOL FOOTBALL 2012

Thursday, Aug. 30	**Hillcrest**	**5:30**
Tuesday, Sept. 4	Black Oak	5:30
Thursday, Sept. 6	**Murray**	**6:00**
Tuesday, Sept. 11	**Ballard County ***	**5:30**
Thursday, Sept. 20	Fulton City	5:30
Tuesday, Sept. 25	South Fulton	6:30
Saturday, Sept. 29	WKMSFC Playoffs	TBA

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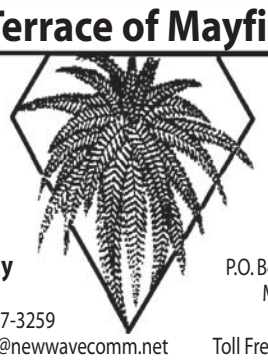
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Obituaries

John Frank Forbus

John Frank Forbus, 77, a resident of Union City, Tenn., died August 14, 2012, at Baptist Memorial Hospital Union City, Union City, Tenn.

Born October 12, 1934, in Obion County, Tenn., he was the son of the late Boyd Evans Forbus and Ruby Ellen (Hughes) Forbus.

Survivors include three daughters, Tammy (Larry) Bell of Henry, Tenn., Elizabeth (Mike) McClure of Union City, and Heidi Hollis of Utah; two grandchildren, Dalton Allen Teeter of Martin, Tenn., and Zachary Lynn Bell of Henry; two stepsons, Ronnie McConnell and Phillip McConnell, both of California; three stepdaughters, Carol Cash of Sharon, Tenn., and Connie Motley, and Barbara McConnell, both of California; six step-grandchildren; and one sister, Bonnie Stribling of Union City.

His wife, Ida Lee Forbus, one sister, Mary Hazel Yates, and one stepson, Mickey McConnell, preceded him in death.

Services were held Aug. 16, at White-Ranson Funeral Home, Inc., with Rev. Charles Southerland officiating. Burial followed in East View Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Zachary Bell, Dalton Teeter, Dale True, Sonny Starnes, Larry Bashum, and Donnie Sutton. Honorary pallbearers were Larry Bell, Mike McClure, and Gerald Hicks.

Willie Clinton Watson

Mr. Willie Clinton Watson, 95, a resident of Union City, Tenn., formerly of Hickman, Ky., died August 9, 2012, at Volunteer Community Hospital in Martin, Tenn.

Born October 19, 1916, in Milan, Tenn., he was the son of the late Albert Watson and Zatrue Hughes Watson. Following the death of his parents, his aunt and uncle, Clint and Ella V. Hughes of Hickman, raised him. He worked at General American of East Chicago, Ind., until he retired in 1980. He had made a profession in Christ Jesus at an early age and was a member of the Johnson Chapel Baptist Church, Hickman.

Survivors include 15 children, James Watson of South Bend, Ind., Constance Smith, Jarrod Smith, and Linda Humes, all of Chicago, Ill., Melvin (Solita) Pullen, Arlene (Mickey) Williams, Carolyn (Fred) Kyles, and Linda Austin, all of Benton Harbor, Mich., Kelvin (Linda) Pullen of Mishawaka, Ind., Darshetah (Robert) Jones, and Anthony Wilson, all of Union City, Curtis Wilson Jr. of Los Angeles, Calif., Calvin Wilson of Hickman, Howard (Jana) Wilson of Paducah, Ky., and Tyrone (Tabitha) Wilson of Columbus, Miss.; 32 grandchildren, plus one very special grandchild, Brian Humes of Chicago, Ill.; 10 great-grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, and cousins.

His wife, Ella Mae Watson; his parents, Albert and Zatrue Watson; one brother, Earnest Watson; one sister, Doris Payne of Benton Harbor; very special friend, Rella Mae Wilson; beloved aunt and uncle, Clint and Ella V. Hughes; and grandson, Charlie "Red" Williams, preceded him in death.

Services were held August 18, at Pleasant Hill Baptist Church with Rev. James Roberson officiating. Burial followed in Hickman City Cemetery.

Rawls Funeral Home – Union City was in charge of arrangements.

Jeanetta Jane Frields

Jeanetta Jane Frields, 84, a resident of South Fulton, Tenn., died August 4, 2012, at Parkway Regional Hospital in Fulton, Ky.

Born November 9, 1927, in Weakley County, Tenn., she was the daughter of the late Covene and Gladys (Puckett) Hastings. She married Doyle C. Frields, May 10, 1946 in Weakley County. She was a homemaker and a member of New Salem Baptist Church. She moved from South Fulton to Tullahoma, Tenn., in 1964, and came back to South Fulton in 2006. She was active in the formation and operation of "Contact Lifeline" in Tullahoma.

Survivors include one daughter, Karen Argo of South Fulton; one son, Kerry Frields of Murfreesboro, Tenn.; five grandchildren, Chad Argo, Kim Kirby, and Missy Hurst, all of Martin, Tenn., Kelsey Frields and Carley Frields, both of Murfreesboro, Tenn.; four great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandson.

In addition to her parents and husband, one sister, Carolyn Ratowski, preceded her in death.

Services were held August 6, at Jackson Funeral Home in Dukedom, Tenn., with Dr. Mike Sams officiating. Burial followed in Acree Cemetery.

James E. Ross

James E. Ross, 91, a resident of Hickman, Ky., died August 17, 2012, at his home.

Born August 29, 1920 in McKenzie, Tenn., he was the son of the late Hillard and Lola (Bass) Ross. He was a retired dredge supervisor with the U.S. Corps of Engineers, an Army veteran of World War II and of the Methodist faith.

Survivors include three sons, Bobby Ross of Benton, Ill., Wayne Ross of Hickman, and Ralph Ross of Cayce, Ky.; two daughters, Freida Carr of Hickman, Vickie Ross of South Fulton, Tenn.; one daughter and son-in-law, Judy and James Shell of Union City, Tenn.; one brother, Harold Ross of Elkton, Ky.; one sister, Frances Covi of Thornton, Colo.; eleven grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

His wife, Linnie Marie Ross, one brother and four sisters, preceded him in death.

Funeral services were held August 19, at Strong Funeral Home with Dewayne Uzzle officiating. Burial followed in the Hickman City Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Danny Thompson, Harold Barnes, Johnny Moffitt, Darrell Rice, David Carr and Cody Ross.

Brenda Harrison

Brenda Harrison, 62, a resident of Hickman, Ky., died August 19, 2012, at her residence.

Born June 19, 1950, in Union City, Tenn., she was the daughter of the late Farris and Pauline (Stewart) Walker. She was a homemaker and a member of the East Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband, Charles Harrison of Hickman; two sons, Charles Harrison, Jr. of Union City, and Jason Harrison of Hickman; one daughter, Sherri Edwards of Hickman; two brothers, Kenneth Walker of Martin, Tenn., and Bill Walker of Warrenton, Mo.; seven grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Services were held August 21, at Strong Funeral Home with Bros. Robert Harrison and Jim Keeling officiating. Burial followed in the Brownsville Cemetery near Hickman.

Pallbearers were Robert Simpson, Lynn Major, James Coffey, Hal Coffey, Steve Jones and Brad Browning.

Hickman Police Department News

The Hickman Police Department reports these arrests, citations, investigations and fire calls for Hickman and Cayce Volunteer Fire Departments for Sunday, August 12 – Saturday, August 18:

Sunday, Aug. 12:

• Traffic stop on State Route 94.

• Responded to a call on Allison Ave.

• Responded to a residential alarm on Broadway St.

Monday, Aug. 13:

• Responded to a disturbance on Nelson St.

Tuesday, Aug. 14:

• Responded to a call on State Route 94/Moscow Ave. – James Elks arrested on multiple charges.

• Responded to a call on clay St.

• Responded to a disturbance on Park St.

• Responded to a call at Holly Court – reports taken.

Wednesday, Aug. 15:

• Responded to a call on Cedar St.

• Responded to a disturbance at Davis Park.

Thursday, Aug. 16:

• Responded to a disturbance at Davis Park – report taken.

• Responded to an animal complaint on Vance St.

Friday, Aug. 17:

• Traffic stop on Moscow Ave.

• Responded to a residential alarm on Nelson St.

Saturday, Aug. 18:

• Responded to a traffic accident on State Route 125.

CRP participants may request authorization to conduct emergency haying or grazing of CRP acres

The USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) announces the opportunity for Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) participants to request authorization to conduct emergency haying or grazing on specific CRP acres. Authorization is based on a U.S. Drought Monitor designation of D0 or higher for Hickman/Fulton counties on or after July 19, 2012. Eligible producers who are interested in applying for approval to conduct Emergency Haying or Grazing of CRP land located in Kentucky must request and obtain individual written approval from FSA before any haying or grazing starts. Participants will be assessed a 10 percent payment reduction on their annual rental payment for the acres actually hayed or grazed.

Interested CRP participants are required to submit a request to FSA and obtain a modified conservation plan to hay and/or graze under emergency provisions. The same acres may not be hayed and grazed under the same emergency designation. Emergency haying or grazing is not allowed within 120 feet of any stream or water body. Specified portions of each field or contiguous fields must be left or grazed with limited stock for wildlife purposes.

Emergency haying or grazing is restricted to specific practices that are 12 months past being determined as fully established by the agency. Participants shall not start any haying or grazing activity until individual written approval is received for the CRP

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James

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The experience left him overwhelmed at the kindness of those neighbors and the effectiveness of the system that passed a record flood without loss of a single life.

"You can go back into the 1800s, and the decisions and designs that were made still are used and are successful," he said. "I'm not going to say we haven't improved on some of those ideas, but those ideas were there, and we basically built this system based on them."

Similar foresight is what the commission aims for today, he says. A 200-year vision for the watershed is this commission's effort, "in our humble way, to influence things 200 years from now, rather than taking them by decades the way we all normally try to do things," he said.

James hopes to continue to serve for decades more. His biggest frustration in the role, he said, is seeing the critical need for improvements in navigation structures like aging locks but having to wait a "terribly long time" for things to get done. And the greatest rewards?

"Seeing a flood go down the Mississippi River and not kill anybody, seeing barges and towboats travel up and down the river on a daily basis without hitting snags and without running aground and seeing environmental areas with wildlife and waterfowl using them. This doesn't happen immediately, but over time, I see things that we're enjoying now that weren't being enjoyed when I was first appointed to the commission."-K.S.

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County

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provided by the Fulton County Transit and are available to individuals living in both Fulton and Hickman. The Fulton County Adult Day has a very dedicated, trained staff who have a passion for the elderly and a desire to help individuals

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Fulton County Sheriff's News

The Fulton County Sheriff's Department reports these arrests and citations for Monday, July 30 – Saturday, Aug. 11:

Wednesday, Aug. 15:

• Devaughn Kirby of Mayfield, Ky., black male, arrested, bench warrant failure to pay two counts (Graves Co.).

Thursday, Aug. 16:

• Lendell Gaston of Hickman, Ky., black male, arrested, failure to appear.

• Donald Wilson, Jr., of Hickman, black male, arrested, failure to appear.

• Beverly C. Claybrooks of Martin, Tenn., black female, citation, speeding 81/55 mph zone.

Friday, Aug. 17:

• Michael E. Thomas of Water Valley, Ky., black male, citation, speeding 72/55 mph.

• Delton Blackburn of Clinton, Ky., white male, citation, reckless driving, improper registration.

• Mary Jones of Hickman, white female, summons, theft by deception including cold checks under $500 (three counts).

• Kenneth Edward of Holly, Mich., white male, citation, speeding 69/55.

Saturday, Aug. 18:

• Kaiee K. Crowder of Atlanta, Ga., black male, arrested, bench warrant failure to comply.

Bluff Briefs

Computers available for public use

West Kentucky Allied Services now has a computer for the public to use. The computer can be used to apply for jobs, look for jobs, apply for school, school loans, or grants. It is free to the public. For more information about using the computer, you can call Jenny Rushing at 472-0002 or stop by the office at 201 N. Highland Drive in Fulton.

6th Annual River Rat Race 5K Run and Fun Walk

Hickman Pecan Festival's 6th Annual River Rat Race 5K Run and Fun Walk will be held Saturday, Sept. 8, at 8 a.m., starting at Fulton County High School. Cost is $15. *The first 30 participants will receive a River Rat Race T-shirt*. Please mail Registration Forms and payment to: Hickman Rotary Club, River Rat Race, P.O. Box 64, Hickman, KY 42050; or drop off at: Paul Henderson, Porter Insurance Agency, 1510 Union City Hwy., Hickman, KY 42050. Make checks payable to Hickman Rotary Club, sponsor for this year's event. Race day registration will begin at 7:30 a.m. If you have any questions please call Penny Fleming at 731-335-3100.

3-Man Golf Tournament

The Hickman Rotary Club will sponsor their 1st Annual 3 Man Golf Tournament to benefit their Scholarship Program. The Tournament will be held Friday, Sept. 14, at 11:30 a .m., at the Hickman Country Club. Entry fee is $150 per team for 18 holes (no flighting). Sign in and registration starts at 11:30 a.m. Lunch served 11:30 – 12:15. Buy muligans and putts during lunch - $2 each*. Shotgun start at 12:30 p.m. 22 teams max – Get your entry form in early. Prizes awarded for 1st place, 2nd place, 3rd place, longest drive – 2 chances ($30), and closest to the pin – 2 chances ($30). Door prizes will be drawn at close of tournament. Beverages will be available on course for cash. *Maximum 6 muligans and 6 puts per team (putts must be within 5 feet of hole to be used). Cash prizes will be determined by number of teams entering – 1st place guaranteed at least $150. Turn entry form including team members names and phone numbers and $150 entry fee at Hickman Country Club or mail to Hickman Rotary Club, Golf Tournament, P.O. Box 64, Hickman, KY 42050. Make checks payable to Hickman Rotary Club. Please have entry forms turned in by Sept. 5th.

American Legion raffling off Rifle

The American Legion is raffling off a .22 Henry Rifle. It shoots shorts, long and long rifle. Must be 21 to win and have never committed a felony. Tickets are $5 each. Rifle will be given away at the Pecan Festival on Saturday, Sept. 15. See any American Legion member for purchase tickets.

Fulton County Homemakers Annual Day to be August 30

Fulton County Extension Homemaker Annual Day will be held at Cayce United Methodist Church on August 30 at 10:00 a.m. Registration opens at 9:30 a.m. and the event will begin at 10:00. The registration fee is $7.00 per person payable at the door to Fulton County Extension Homemakers. The décor and theme is "Summer on the Lake" and participants are encouraged to dress in nautical wear. Attendees will enjoy Vonnie Shelton, Retired McCracken County Local and Family History Librarian as she speaks on Recording Your Life Story. Beautiful Cultural Arts will be on display as well. Reserve your seat by calling 270-236-2351 by August 23.

Miss and Mr. Banana Festival Pageants to be held

The Miss and Mr. Banana Festival pageants will be held Sept. 23, beginning at 1:30 p.m. at Fulton High School, Stephen Beale Drive in Fulton. Applications may be obtained online at www.the bananafestival.com, or may be picked up at The Fulton Leader Office, 304 East State Line, Fulton, the Fulton Tourism Commission Office at 313 Carr St. or Whitledge and Associates, 309 Carr St., Fulton. The event is open to boys, ages 0-12 months; 13-23 months; 2-3 year olds and 4-6 years old. Girls divisions include ages 0-12 months; 13-23 months; 2-3 year olds; 4-6 year olds; 7-9 year olds; 10-12 year olds; ages 13-15 and ages 16-19. Entry fee is $25 with an additional fee of $10 for Best Dressed category. No entries will be accepted at the door. Admission for the pageant is $2 per person. Checks may be made payable to the Fulton Tourism Commission.

Poplar Grove Baptist to have 3-part series on Abraham

For the next three Sunday mornings, beginning August 29, Pastor Charles Blair will be preaching a 3-part series on Abraham at Poplar Grove Baptist Church, on Highway 125. The series, titled "What did Abraham Find?" will follow the life of the patriarch of the three monotheistic religions of the world. What was it about this one man, which has made him unique to Jews, Islam, and Christianity? Was he above sin, a perfect person? Why is the Middle East in turmoil today? Visitors are welcome. Bible study led by Paul Henderson begins at 10, the worship service at 11.

Fulton County Transit longer offering Saturday service

Fulton County Transit will no longer be offering Saturday Demand Response Service Effective October 1, 2012. We regret stopping this service but due to having to make budget reductions this is a cost saving measure. If you have any questions please call 270-472-0662.

FFA Blood Drive at FCHS August 29

FFA will be holding a Blood Drive at FCHS on August 29 from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. If you are interested in donating, please contact Justin Suttles at justin.suttles@fulton.kyschools.us and he will put you on the list. Each student that donates (ages 16-21) will be eligibile to win a $5,000 scholarship. On tp of that, each donor (including faculty, etc.) will be entered to win a $3,000 American Express Gift Card. Everyone will receive a t-shirt.

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Revenue	$604	$406	$574	$432	$750
Variable Expenses	$522	$226	$346	$245	$431
Returns Over Variable	**$82**	**$180**	**$228**	**$187**	**$319**
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Returns Over Variable and Land Costs	**($69)**	**$78**	**$84**	**$79**	**$132**
Fixed Costs Depreciation & interest on Machinery	$79	$42	$39	$34	$83
Returns Over Specified Costs	($148)	$36	$45	$45	$49

Drought

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on the cost of meats and dairy products than on processed foods (such as corn flakes) and beverages (corn-sweetened soft drinks).

"Most analysts conclude that even with the near doubling of corn prices in recent months, a $3.50 box of corn flakes contains less than 10 cents of corn, while a $1.50/filter soft drink sweetened with high fructose corn syrup has less than a nickel of corn. Thus the recent escalation in corn prices has only added a few pennies to the cost of many processed food and beverage items that use corn as an ingredient.

"Actually, in the short-run, we could see meat prices decline (or at least stabilize) due to the drought forcing herd liquidations and thus inducing higher short-term meat supplies. But as livestock inventories shrink, future meat supplies will be lower and consequently we should expect higher meat prices in the winter and early in 2013. Currently USDA is projecting meat price increases of 3.5 to 4.5% in 2012.

Overall, USDA is projecting that food prices will increase 2.5 to 3.5% in 2012 vs historical annual food price increase of 2 to 2.5% which is a surprise to many. Some foods products such as fruits and vegetables (including corn on the cob) are produced with access to irrigation and thus not as much impacted by the drought. Another factor that could limit food price increases is the current intense competition in the food retailing industry. Finally many food items that are impacted by higher corn prices, such as milk, meats, and soft drinks are often used as loss-leader items as food retailers offer specials on these items to attract customers to their stores.

School

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4% it would generate approximately $37,000 in additional income, which could be a starting teacher salary or a 1 to 1.5% pay increase for the staff.

The three-year trend shown in an ACT Profile report shows Fulton County's numbers increasing. "We are at a 18-19% average during the last three years," commented Supt. Bledsoe. "This year we have 27% of students, moving in the right direction, college and career ready. We still have some work to do on our ACT scores." He also noted that now all students, no matter if they have decided to go to college or not, are required to take the ACT, mandated by the state.

With this in mind, Supt. Bledsoe recognized that four Fulton County sophomores, who meet the ACT requirements to take dual credit courses at Murray State University (MSU), were denied that opportunity. "I learned today that they are only going to accept juniors and seniors," he said. "I am disappointed with MSU because they wouldn't let four of our sophomores take dual credit courses even though they qualified." Students must achieve a 21 or higher on the ACT in order to be eligible to take the classes.

"We did have a couple of sophomores who did it last year and they did fine," he said. Supt. Bledsoe has expressed his disappointment to Dianne Owen, the director of the Four Rivers Scholarship Program and to MSU. "I am very disappointed," he reiterated. "They missed an opportunity to help four deserving students."

The way the state calculates the graduation rate report is disappointing Supt. Bledsoe. "In May 2012 we had 31 seniors graduate, with one dropping out and one moving that didn't reapply," he said. "The state now calculates our average freshmen graduation rate based on number of freshmen added two sophomore numbers, divided by two. That is 44. Then the state divides this year number of seniors (31) by 44, they get .70454545. Rounded up it looks like our graduation rate is only 70.5%!"

The state also recognizes the following factors that affect our graduation rate, which include:

- Small student population
- Unstable student population (close to two other neighboring states)
- Excluded completers
- Economic issues (highest unemployment rate in the state)

"Even though the state recognizes these factors as modifiers," continued Supt. Bledsoe, "the rate is based on strict calculation of numbers and does not change the percentage of our graduation rate."

The ironic thing is that the rate will probably go up to 100% next year because this year's senior class is set to graduate 51 seniors.

"Our graduation rate this year should be in the 90% range," concluded Supt. Bledsoe on his interpretation on the state's graduation rate calculation.

During Supt. Bledsoe's notification of personnel actions he advised the board that James Bridges had been hired as the middle school football coach, Alicia Wilson as the assistant basketball coach, and had accepted the resignation of Pam Nanny and Janay Roberson from the 21st CCLC. There are three positions vacant at this time.

Stipends for part-time employees, paid for with Ed-u-Jobs grant funds, were allotted for each employee based on the number of hours worked. Bus monitors, who work three hours a day, we receive $157.50 and a substitute teacher, who worked only one day last year will get $2.10. This is a one-time stipend. Full-time employees received one at the end of the 2011-2012 school year.

Jeral Mack, a senior at Fulton County High School (FCHS) discussed her experience during this summer's Governor Scholars Program with the board and FCHS Principal Tracey Lamb presented Julie Vowell with a Pilot Challenge Coin for going above and beyond the call of duty to make new FCHS Spanish teacher Ana Blanquer feel welcome in Fulton County. Blanquer, from Spain, arrived on Aug. 3, just in time to begin the school year to teach Spanish.

The board did go into closed session from 7:23 p.m. to 7:56 p.m. to discuss employee discipline and student discipline.

The meeting adjourned at 8:46 p.m. with Lynn Grissom not in attendance and Wiley Gannon Skyping in from Virginia.

The next school board meeting is slated for Thursday, Sept. 20 at 7 p.m.



COIN PRESENTATION - Fulton County High School Principal Tracey Lamb (left) presented Julie Vowell (right) with a Pilot Challenge Coin for her kindness shown to new Spanish teacher Ana Blanquer. (Photo by Charlotte Smith.)

CRP

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contract request. Approved haying authorization will end not later than August 31. Approved grazing authorization will end not later than September 30.

To take advantage of the emergency haying and grazing provision, approved participants can use the CRP acreage for their own livestock or may grant another livestock producer use of the CRP acreage for the purpose of haying or grazing.

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Commission

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nal grant was received to rework the water lines at Davis Park," stated Myatt. "That work has been completed. Unused funds were utilized to work on the Brownsville Water Tank. There is still $22,837 in the grant and we have been given permission to use the funds to purchase four valves for the water plant." Public Work Director Mike Hartigan recommended they purchase electronic valves instead of hydraulic ones.

Additional upgrades are required at the wastewater plant. Myatt and Hartigan have been working with George Haynes in Frankfort to make sure the systems in Hickman are in compliance. "We need to purchase two automatic samplers," stated Myatt. "The original ones were purchased in 1993." Three quotes were presented to the Commission and they chose to go with the quote from Hauch in the amount of $7,707.16.

"We are trying to get the sewer plant into 'A number one shape'," stated Hartigan. "We are following their recommendations to help us rectify any problems at the sewer plant.

"Right now, according to Mike, the plant is running great," added Myatt. "Sometimes he has an issue and upgrades need to be performed when they arise."

Other items approved during unfinished business include the follow:

- Greg Curlin to the Kentucky Transportation Committee
- James Bridges as a Hickman Volunteer Fire Department firefighter
- Change from Microbac to McCoy and McCoy to perform water and wastewater testing for the city
- Resolution 12-34, Adopting Jackson Purchase National Hazard Mitigation Plan, first reading held with Commissioner Choate asking for a copy of the plan to review it
- Proposal from City Clerk Haney to change tax software companies, electing to go with Data Design Inc.

First reading of Ordinance 12-21 was read by City Attorney Leanna Wilkerson. The ordinance will set the new tax rate for Motor Vehicles and Watercraft for 2013 was approved at 23.4 cents with a special tax rate of 4.7 cents levied for raising sufficient revenue to pay for fire apparatus equipment. These rates are effective January 1, 2013.

During Myatt's City Manager's Report he discussed the police presence at the schools when students are leaving and arriving, the appreciation of the work crews from the detention center with cleaning up around the city, and his visit that morning to the Fulton County Fiscal Court meeting to discuss a sewer issue. The grinding pump at the high school lift station has issues when materials cause havoc on it. "The fiscal court agreed to purchase an emulsifier and install it on their property," said Myatt. "They asked Mike to supply them with a quote and submit it during the September fiscal court meeting."

Myatt also discussed bids for replacing light bulbs at City Hall through an energy efficiency grant. "We received several bids and the low bid was received from Dale Usher in the amount of $9,960," he said. The commission voted to accept this bid.

Myatt, Mayor Lattus and Commissioner Roger Adams planned to attend the low water tour from Caruthersville, Mo., to Blytheville, Ark. on August 20.

An issue that has risen regarding the closing of the Community Development Block Grant Phase 4 for scattered site housing in Hickman was briefly discussed. The remaining funds, needing to be dispersed in order to close out the grant, were sent back to the Department of Local Government (DLG) even though the administrator of the grant Martha Campbell requested the funds. The amount requested is approximately $12,000. Justification of dispersing the funds to Campbell needs to be provided before the DLG would send her the money.

The Commission went into executive session at 8:29 p.m. to discuss personnel in the communication department. The Commission decided to promote Christina Boyle from part-time dispatcher to full-time at the rate of $7.50 per hour. They also voted to give Carla Rangel a 50 cents per hour raise with another one scheduled after she completes telecommunication training with the Department of Criminal Justice at Eastern Kentucky University in Richmond, Ky. Also gave Tony Grogan a $40 a week raise to supervise the dispatch department.

The next meeting of the Commission is scheduled for Monday, Sept. 10 at 7 p.m. at City Hall.

Academy

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where multiple parties are striving for the same goals and outcomes. The multiple partners of FCHS, Rudolph, WKCTC, MSU, FCHS and the parents are all striving for the students to be college and career ready once they graduate high school and to obtain some college credit while still in high school."

'It is my honor to be here," stated Winchester. "We are celebrating everyone's success and the students' ability to take classes early on. It makes it the transitions into high school when students take advantage of these opportunities. We are glad to be a part of it."

Murphy has already seen a change in the atmosphere at FCHS, due to the program. "Last year's enthusiasm created by the program has carried over to this year," she said. "I already see a difference from last year to this year. I have kids in my office today asking questions they weren't asking last year about their academics and already making decisions about their future careers." She gives credit to this program and believes it is on its way to making the students of Fulton County better. "I know these students will come back some day and make this community better," she added.

Rudolph, the creator of the FRSP, commented that it has been a joy to work with everyone at Fulton County. "If we hadn't become partners with MSU and WKCTC from the get go we never would have gotten this done," he said. "I am sure three years ago you didn't think it would come true, but it has."

He estimates that this year there will be about 1,950 dual credit hours taken at the four river county schools. "Do you realize three years ago it was zero?" he said. "Now on the other hand we gave out scholarships to 120 students just this past two weeks. We have finally turned the corner and have people believing they can go to college instead of hearing that they can't go."

Rudolph credits members of the FRSP board, like Greg Curlin and Rick Garland, for helping make it possible to reach all the students they can. "We can never accept the word no. We have to remember what they are facing," said Rudolph. "We are turning these schools into mini-universities. These kids now know they can have any where from three hours to as many as 33 hours of college credit."

He believes this translates into more and more students believing that they can go to college when everyone works together. This includes the colleges, the high schools and community leaders working with the students. "It would not work without the leadership and the partnership of everyone involved," he concluded.

"This is a great time to be in high school," commented Pyron on the success of the program. "There are so many more opportunities for these students that weren't available to them a few years ago."

Between the ATC, MSU, WKCTC with the help of the FRSP, students can now earn many dual credit hours, without any cost to them, and even industry certifications. "For the first time this year we have students working toward an EKG tech certification at our school," he added. "That is exciting! It is something you earn in college. Now they can obtain them at the ATC before they go to college."

Murphy went over the classes that are being offered through the Pilot Academy this year including English 101, English 102, Psychology, Sociology, Communications 181, Consumer Chemistry, Communications 161, Consumer Economics, World Geography, and MAT 140 College Algebra, along with FCHS AP Calculus and U.S. History.

She is looking forward to seeing the dual credit hours earned increase as the students are becoming more and more involved in preparing for their future after high school, which now includes going on to college. She is encouraging students to take the ACT as sophomores to help prepare them for the dual credit courses.

Jeral Mack, a member of the Pilot Academy, earned 12 hours of college credit as a junior through the program. "It is a great privilege and honor to take classes that are preparing me for college," she said. She expressed her gratitude to Rudolph for funding the program. "Without Robbie Rudolph the Pilot Academy would not exist."

Lattus, also a member of the Pilot Academy last year, wished he could have gone back two years. "I can't do that," he said. "I am jealous that I can't earn as many credit hours as students can now, but I am thankful for the classes that I did get to take." He encouraged current students to take all the classes that they can.

"We are going to keep having these celebrations to get the word out about the Pilot Academy," stated Murphy.

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PILOTS 2012
Middle School Cheerleaders PREVIEW

CHEER LEADER

Jr. Pilot cheerleaders have experience on their side, are ready to entertain

Charlotte Smith
Editor

Twelve cheerleaders make up the Fulton County Middle School cheerleading squad responsible for cheering the crowd on during football and basketball games for the Jr. Pilots. With one sixth grader, seven seventh graders, and four eighth graders the squad has a lot of experience with only three new members.

Cheerleaders are expected to not only keep the crowd involved in the game, they are also asked to entertain them. These young ladies are looking forward to doing that with the builds, dances and cheers they have been working on since they were named to the squad.

Ta'Shayah Freeman, a sixth grader and one of the newest members, decided to become a cheerleader because she likes to fly and dance. "I think it is a lot of fun," she added. Freeman plans to continue cheering and join the Lady Jr. Pilots in seventh grade playing basketball.

Zaria Ervin, who was a member of the squad last year, enjoys having her fellow cheerleaders lift her in the air. "This is my second year cheering and I love the dancing part of being a member of the squad." Ervin also shows her skills out on the court as a member of the Lady Jr. Pilots basketball team. She is in the seventh grade.

Leah Weatherly, an eighth grader, loves to do the "Stomp and Shake It" cheer because it is really energetic and fun. She has cheered on the sidelines for the Jr. Pilots during her sixth grade year and played basketball in fifth and sixth grade. "I plan on playing basketball again this year, too," she said.

The "Hurkey" is a jump where you jump in the air while putting one leg out in front of you and bending the other leg with your toes pointed behind you. This is eighth grader Alexus Tacker's favorite jump. "I do the jump the best," she commented. "I love performing builds, too." This is Tacker's second year cheering and she also had her fellow cheerleaders cheering for her from the sidelines when she played basketball in fifth and sixth grade.

Another new addition to the squad is seventh grader Josie Prehoda. "I decided to become a member of the cheer squad because it seemed like fun to me," she said. Making the adjustment from basketball to cheering has been easy for Prehoda with the help from her friends on the squad.

Olivia Wilson, who also enjoys doing builds, doesn't mind having to cheer on the sidelines during football games even though it can get cold. "I know we will have fun no matter what," she said. A seventh grader, this is Wilson's first year with the squad, who was also a basketball player in fifth grade.

Halley Stewart, one of the veterans on the squad, began cheering as a sixth grader. Now as an eighth grader she has been able to juggle cheering, track, and academics all at the same time. "I don't let cheering at games or practice get in the way of keeping up my grades," she said. "I love cheering because it is really fun. My favorite part is doing the builds."

Now in her second year of cheering, seventh grader Samantha McClure sticks with it because she enjoys cheering with her friends and she loves learning new gymnastics moves. "Cheering it what I love to do best," she said. She plans to focus on cheering next year as an eighth grader, too.

Emmalee Young, new to the squad and Fulton County, transferred here from Black Oak in Obion County, Tenn. As a seventh grader she is new to this squad but not new to cheering. "I began cheering in competition with a squad when I was six," she said. "I did it for four years." her favorite part of cheering is working on builds.

"I went out for cheerleading as a sixth grader because a couple of my friends were and I thought it would be fun," commented Lindy Sipes. "I have stuck with it because it is fun. I like to build." Sipes, now a seventh grader, plans to cheer at the high school level.

Cheering the crowd on is why eighth grader Leslie Beth Jackson is now in her third year of cheering. "I love to help get the crowd involved," she said. "My favorite cheer is "Heat it up defense, block 'em, stop 'em." Jackson is now in her fifth year as a member of the Lady Jr. Pilots basketball team and did track during seventh grade. With high school on the horizon next year, Jackson is unsure if she will pick cheering, basketball or both when she becomes a Lady Pilot.

Seventh grader Caroline Morrison, with her bubbling personality, loves to cheer because she enjoyed doing it last year. "I loved doing the competitions and I love the dancing aspect of being a member of the squad," she said. "I did play basketball in fifth grade, but I enjoy cheering more because we do builds." Morrison loves to do gymnastics, sewing and helping to take care of the chickens on the family farm.

With many of these young ladies loving to do builds, a skill that requires a lot of team work, they are learning life long skills that will aid them not only on the sidelines cheering on their team, but also later in life when they move on to their various careers.

Wendy Stewart and Deena Morrison, returning coaches from last season, are making sure the twelve members of the cheerleading squad are there for each other, not only during the basketball and football seasons, but all year long and beyond, as well.

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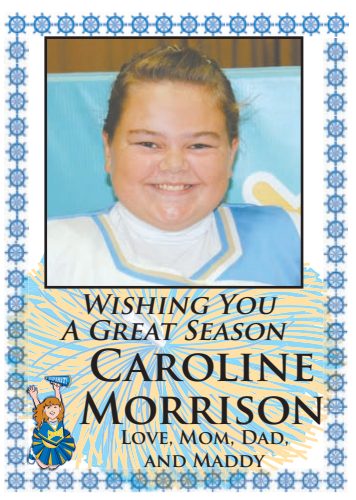




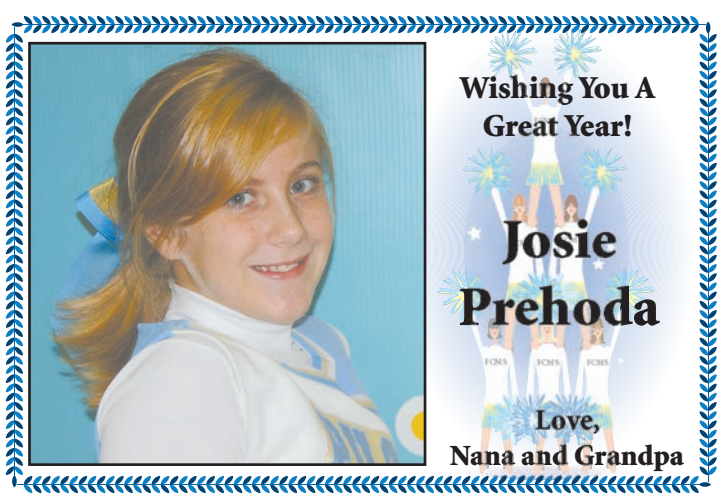
CHEERING - (On top) The Jr. Pilot cheerleaders were in action on Thursday, Aug. 16 on the road at Reidland cheering on the Jr. Pilots football squad. **IN ACTION** - (Below) Jr. Pilot cheerleaders Caroline Morrison, Leslie Beth Jackson, and Josie Prehoda were busy performing a cheer with some of the Jr. Pilot football players shown in the background during their game at Reidland last Thursday. (Photos submitted)

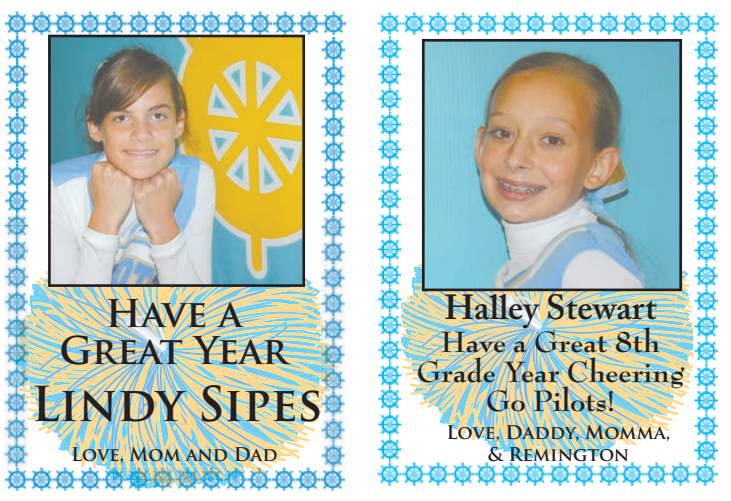


FULTON COUNTY MIDDLE SCHOOL CHEERLEADERS - This year there are 12 cheerleaders on the Jr. Pilots cheerleading squad for the 2012/2013 season. They are (clockwise from bottom right corner) Samantha McClure, Josie Prehoda, Olivia Wilson, Emmalee Young, Alexus Tacker, Leah Weatherly, Leslie Beth Jackson, Halley Stewart, Lindy Sipes, Ta'Shayah Freeman and Zaria Ervin. The ladies are coached by Deena Morrison and Wendy Stewart. (Not pictured is Caroline Morrison.) (Photo by Charlotte Smith.)





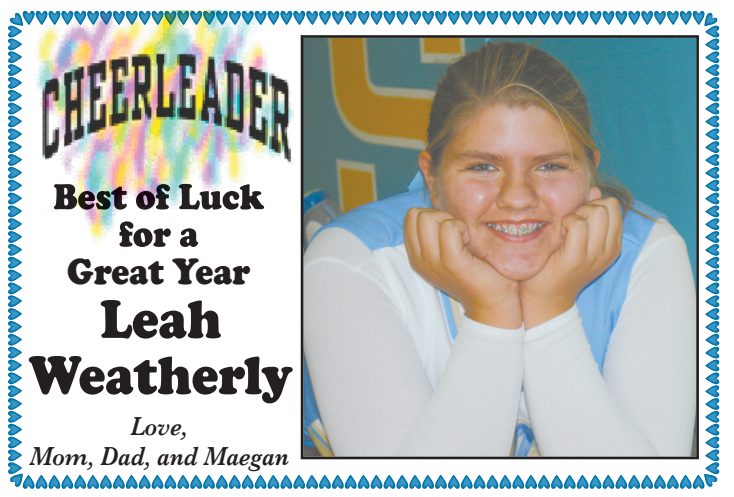












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PILOTS 2012
High School School Cheerleaders
PREVIEW

CHEER LEADER

Six seniors anchor the Pilots cheerleading squad, busy preparing during the off season

The Fulton County High School (FCHS) cheerleading squad began their season on the sidelines pumping up the home crowd on Friday, Aug. 17 at home when the Pilots hosted the Reidland Greyhounds. The squad of a dozen energetic and charismatic ladies consists of six seniors, two juniors, two sophomores, and two freshmen responsible for pumping up their team and crowd. Pam Bennett and Brey Jones, coaches, are now in their fourth year with the squad.

Sarah Beth Bennett, one of the five seniors, has been cheering since the sixth grade. "I became a cheerleader because I like to support my team and the Pilots," she said. "I enjoy being on the sideline cheering our teams on while helping them get pumped up to win and play hard. We are on the sideline to get everyone excited"

Away from the sideline for a few years is returning senior Ronieka Blair. "I cheered my freshman year and missed it the last two years," she said on why she returned to the squad. "I wanted more to keep me busy during my last year in high school." Blair is also the Secretary for FFA. "I like to cheer because it keeps me closer to the players on the team," she added. "My favorite cheer is "Pilots all the Way!"

Another senior on the squad who has been cheering since sixth grade is Bethany Sturgeon. "I love to dance," she said. "It is my favorite part of being a cheerleader." Her favorite cheer is "Here we go, Let's go Pilots." To prepare for a night of cheering, Sturgeon knows it is important to eat well and stretch before each game. "I enjoy being on the sideline supporting our teams," she added.

Cheering since the tenth grade in high school, Alexis Avery is also a senior and likes to do the Hurkey jump. "I enjoy doing the Hurkey because it is so different from all the other jumps," she said. "I am glad I am a cheerleader because I like going to different schools and meeting new people." Avery is also involved in Beta Club, FEA, 4-H, HOSA, FFA, and is Vice President of the Senior Class.

Laiken Dickson a senior who has been cheering since sixth grade continues to cheer because she loves it and enjoys being a part of the team. "My favorite cheer is the 'Yell it for the Blue and Gold,'" she said. Dickson has also been involved in FFA, Beta Club, JAM and HOSA throughout her high school career.

The last of the seniors is Kristin Swain. Swain also started cheering as a sophomore and joined the squad on the sidelines because she likes cheering on her team. "I like having school spirit," she said. "I enjoy being a part of a team. It is like having a bunch of sisters. We are a close knit group." Swain loves to be out in the cool, crisp fall air performing "The Touchdown Cheer" during football games. She is also involved in FBLA, is the President of HOSA and has played softball.

The two juniors on the squad are Anna-Reid Garrigan and Annesha Jackson. Garrigan is a veteran cheerleader and began her time on the sideline in sixth grade. "I prefer to cheer indoors," she said. "It is harder to do cheers outside when it gets cold, but I love to motivate the team and the crowd no matter what." Designated as a flyer makes doing builds Garrigan's favorite aspect of cheering, enjoying all the cheers. She is also involved in Beta Club and HOSA at FCHS.

Jackson who previously cheered in middle school as a seventh and eighth grader, also felt the need to get back into the action returning to the squad this year. "I missed it," she said. "During football games we are too far away to know what's going out there on the field." Rash plans to cheer next year and is currently involved in FBLA, JAM and the Beta Club.

The second sophomore on the squad is Allyson Dick. She is another veteran, who began cheering in the sixth grade. "I don't have a favorite cheer," she said. "I like doing them all." Her favorite element of cheering is performing the dances. "It is important to be happy and loud, with a bubbly personality when on the sideline," added Dick who plans to continue cheering throughout high school. She also participated in FFA last year and plans to join HOSA and FBLA this year.

Brooke Coffey and Megan Vowell are new to the squad as freshmen, but both have prior experience keeping the crowd involved in the action. Coffey started cheering as a sixth grader. "I like to be a leader of the school," she said on why she is a cheerleader. "I like doing the cheer 'FCHS, Go Pilots' during basketball games," she added. "I like the atmosphere of the games in the gym the best." She also likes to perform the dance routine during districts each year.

Vowell, a member of the squad who likes to tumble, enjoys doing the dances and routines. "I love to dance and I missed it when I didn't cheer in eighth grade," she said. "It was a big part of who I am. I took gymnastics for a year and a half and I enjoy working on my tumbling whenever I can." She cheered for the Jr. Pilots during her sixth and seventh grade years and was a member of the golf team last year.

The ladies spent time during the summer at Flip and Tumble Gymnastics. During the camp they learned a routine and cheer with Amber Pocernich (owner) and Savannah London.

"Go Pilots!"



SENIORS 2012 - FCHS senior cheerleaders are Ronieka Blair, Laiken Dickson, Kristin Swain, Bethany Stugeon, Sarah Beth Bennett, and Alexis Avery. (Photo submitted.)



SIDELINE CHEER - Cheering during the Pilots vs Greyhounds game were: Ronieka Blair, Allyson Dick, Laiken Dickson, Brooke Coffey, Kristin Swain, and Sarah Beth Bennett.



READY TO CHEER ON THE CROWD - The FCHS cheerleading squad ready to take to the sideline Friday night. Squad members include: (front row, l to r) Annesha Jackson, Allyson Dick, Ronieka Blair, Sarah Beth Bennett, Bethany Sturgeon, and Megan Vowell; and (back row, l to r) Brooke Coffey, Leah Rash, Kristin Swain, Laiken Dickson, and Anna-Reid Garrigan. (Photo submitted.)



CHEER CAMP - Participating in cheer camp at Flip and Tumble Gymnastics include: (front row, l to r) Allyson Dick, Sarah Beth Bennett, Laiken Dickson, Alexis Avery, Brooke Coffey, and Bethany Sturgeon; and (back row, l to r) Savannah London, Ronieka Blair, Megan Vowell, Leah Rash, Kristin Swain, Annesha Jackson, Anna-Reid Garrigan, and Amber Pocernich, owner. (Photo submited.)



GAME TIME - The FCHS Cheerleaders welcomed the Pilots back to Sanger Field on Friday, Aug. 17. The Pilots hosted the Reidland Greyhounds. (Photo by Charlotte Smith.)

